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A SIGNIFICANT EVENT.

In the year of grace 1895, just thirry years after the close of the great civil war, the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization made up of men who fought for the Union, and their descendants, will hold the first annuml encomplacest south of Muson and Dixtucky, a State the sympathies of whose people were chiefly with the lost cause,

Three decades mark but a brief period in the life of a nation or in the procession of historic events. To these that were participasts in, or witnesses of the tremnadous con flict it seems but as yesterday when the word came that Lee had surrendered to Grant; that the Confederacy was a thing of the past, and that peace once more reigned in the land.

Out of that strile grew much bitterness. It eogld not have been otherwise. Men who had fought for what they deemed right, could not with the laying down of the sword have surrendered also their convictions or buried the resulting from being forced to yield to superior force. Nor could those on the other side be expected to sink into oblivion all the sacrifices they had to make in order that the Union might be preserved.

Out of these conflicting emotions, frequently stirred and intensified by designing men for seifish purposes, sprang the weed of sectional fate. It flourished for awhite, but Time, the great gardener, has uprooted it at last, and its disappearance is signalized by the fact that the defenders of the Union will be fraternally received and be the guests of these who met them on the field of battle.

Love of country, faith in a common destiny, and the respect which at last all manly men have for each other, have done all this.

SHOULD BE AMENDED.

It is claimed by Postmaster Dayton, of New York city, that the stamps on many of the letters malled in that city will not stick, and that the letter boxes are frequently "deep with letters without stamps, and stamps without letters." The trouble seems to be in the gumming of the stamps made in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, and of course the complaint will apply to postage stamps used in all parts of the country.

The law requires that a letter not stamped shall be held for postage unless the envelope. bears the name and address of the writer, when I shall be returned to him marked "held for postage," The absurdity of such a law becomes exceedingly provoking when the writer of a letter has affixed the required postage and the letter is not forwarded because the stamp would not stick.

Of the seventy countries that make up the Universal Postsl Union only thirteen of them require payment of postage on letters in advance. And only four of these thirteen countries-the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Spain-are of any great importance to the Union. All the cether countries, including Great Britain, Germany, France, Italy, Russin, and every other important nation forward thier letters either with or without the legal postage.

ment of letter postage would work as well here as in any of the countries where it is now in practice. It costs more to open and return "held for postage" letters in the Dead Letter Office than would be lost in postage were letters forwarded unpaid. There are perhaps 300,000 letters annually held for postage, of which nearly 100,000 are sent to the Dead Letter Office in compliance with the

The attention of Congress is called to this important and needed change in our postal laws, and also to the fact that the poor quality of our stamps is causing annoyance and day in the forwarding of business corre-

PREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

As the immediate passage of the free library bill appears to be somewhat involved | Hold reception to-day. Am having good in doubt-to put it mildly-it is gratifying to time. Take care of sentry box. GROVER. note that a free library is none the less to be an achievement of the immediate future. It will be upon a less pretentious scale - in the beginning, at least-than that for which Congressional legislation is wanted, but it will cless around which the greater scheme may develop, or, it not that, an admirable aid and

The Washington Library Association held its first annual meeting Wodnesday night, and Gen. Greely, chairman of the free public library committee, was enabled to report that | Brooklyn Engle.

he had been able to collect \$1,100. He expressed the belief that with proper exertion \$4,000 could be obtained, with a guarantee of that sum for five years, and with that sum a modest, but fairly satisfactory beginning could be made. It was also urged that the District Commissioners should be impertuned to make an annual appropriation of \$4,050,

A free public library is as much an essential part of the scheme of free education as are the schools themselves. No good reason can be advanced why such a library, as this association intends to establish one which is especially designed to help the youngshould not have the support of the goverament and be included, to some extent, in the annual estimates for the maintenance of the schools. In Germany such libraries form part of the school system and are specially designed for the instruction and ediffeation of the pupils.

It is probable that the library to be opened by the Washington Library Association is intended to have a wider scope, but that would furnish all the better reason for government aid, because the government is directly interested in the dissemination of knowledge.

REPRESENTATIVE BROSIES has a voice that would make his fortune could it be transformed into stone and broken into obelisks,

high if they knew half as much about President Cleveland as do the legislators of that

Sourh Canonina ducks would fly mighty

"Figurino Bon", Evans would be of immense service to President Cleveland should the hostility of the South Carolina legislature end in a declaration of war.

GAPRIEL might as well hang up his trumpet. The grave diggers of Philadelphia have gone Is THERE IS anything in the theory of the

transmigration of souls Ananias must have been around at the birth of nearly all the New When the thousands of agricultural reports

being sent out by Congressmen reach their destinations grateful constituents will tall gra down and bless Santa Claus, IF Congress passes the Nicaragua Canal bill, about the only thing that will ever be

Servers Gray introduced a bill yesterday of the Army. Navy, and Marine Corps officers and their families stationed in this city, Fort appropriating a million dollars to purchase a tot upon which to erect a Presidential mansion. The average wages of coal miners in

floated will be the bonds indorsed by the

Pennsylvania, as reported by telegraph, is 90 cents a day. CLOAKROOM AND GALLERY.

An necidental omission of a few words from the title of a bill introduced yesterday by Representative Richardson gave an opportunity for a number of queries among those on's sine. Not in the very heart of the late | not possessed of great reverence for the head Confederacy will the great assumbly be held, of the nation. The tail, which proposes the it is true, but yet in the chief city of Ken- purchase of a site by a Presidential mansion, was by error labeled, "a bill to purchase a site for the President," This carried numer-This carried numerous inqueries as to whether the sim proposed was a burial site, a gun site, a hiad-site or a

"This is not as funny a mistake as was made in our legislature on an occasion which I well remember," said Commissioner Miller, who claimed to note the error. "One of our legislators who wanted to prohibit the owners of swine from permitting their stock to run at large, labeled his measure, a bill to prevent the owners of bogs from running at large."

The stenographers of the House got down The stenographers of the House got down and humped themseives when Mr Johnson, of Indians, made his speech on the currency bill. Mr. Johnson is the terror of the stenographers. One would not think, to its en casually, that he is going at a ch a breakneek speed, but he has a way of running his words together with a sort of slidning movement, which makes the whole sentence a stendy wave of sound with scarcely a break between the words. The result is that when he talks the stenographers want to take off their coats. John McElhone, of blessed memory, who was for many generations of statesmen the head of the stanographic corps of the House, used to say: "If you want to realize how fast words come in speechmaking just take your pencil and try to make a dot for every word." It is an interesting experiment but need." it is an interesting experiment, but one on which the experienced will fail every time if he attempts it when Mr. Johnson is talking.

Representative Walker's quaint and vigorous way of putting things always commands the closest attention when he gets on his feet in the House. Here are some gains from his currency speech, which has just made its appearance in the Congressional Record:
"Men are now about the same as they were a hundred years ago. They may be more honest under an electric light, but not on a dark road."

"Everybody does business on the doctrine of chances. The man riding in a carriage is not as safe as a mun lying flat on his back; yet met ride."

"The immensity of the financial system can hardly be realized, and the Secretary of the Trea-ury and Comptroller have no one to counsel with. No man who runs the business of that position four years and does not die has done his duty.

The rapidly disappearing gold balance of he Treasury reminds the law makers of the Capitol of a well worn but extremely apropos story of Dayy Crockett and the conskin,
"Davy," said somebody who was telling
story," ept a store, dispensing, among other
necessities of life, rum. As currency was
scarce coons ins were accepted at a fixed
value. One day a customer coming in paid for a quantity of rum with a coonskin, which for a quantity of run, with a coonskin, which Crockett carelessly threw under the counter. One of a crowd of loafers about the store, seeing the edge of it profuding through a rack, fished it out and used it over again for another purchase of run. The crowd eaught on, to use an expression of to-day, and that Union. All the jether countries, including Great Britain, Germany, France, Italy, Russia, and every other important nation forward thier letters either with or without the legal postage.

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The attention of the economists of the Ap-propriation Committee of the House is being called to a unique exemplification of economy called to a unique exemplification of economy which a newly fledged stategman of Tennessee has created. One, Edward Dudley Duncan, elected to the Tennessee legislature, who lives some 300 miles from Anshville, announces that he is going to walk all the way from his home to Nashville, and will arrive there in time for the meeting of the legisla-ture. He has returned the passes which the railroads sent him and will set an example which he hopes will prove contagious in

From Different Points of View.

PIEST TELEGRAM, Georgerown, S. C., Dec. 20, DEAR DAN: Shooting good. Killed thirtysix mallards vesterday. Gout almost cured.

SECOND TELEGRAM.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 20. DEAR GROVER: Things look ugly. Japan ngain declines assistance. Walker has denounced Hawaiian policy. Currency bill will be a starter and may, perchance, be the na- be defeated. Sentry box all right. Put this DAN. in your gun and shoot it.

> Familiar with the Show. Aunty (showing Bible pictures to fouryear-old niece)-And now, Maggie, who is the man is the lion's den?
> Maggie-Buffalo Bill, Aunt Jennie,-

SOCIAL SAYINGS AND DOINGS.

Mrs. John G. Carlisie gave a pink luncheon yesterday in honor of Miss Margaret Johnson, daughter of the chief of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. The decorations of the prettily set table were of La Prance roses. The guests were Miss Margaret Johnson, Miss Fulier, Miss Harlan, Miss Kerr, Miss Hazeltine, Miss Jane Hamlin, Miss Davidge, Miss Lockett, Miss Mary Breckinridge, and Miss Aline Wilcox.

To the sound of military music, with the To the sound of military music, with the appropriate setting of military accountments beneath waying flags and bunting and with all the bright accessories of lovely gowns and a charming company, the iadies of the Washington Barracks entertained Mrs. Dantel Lamont at a tea yesterday afternoon from 4 to 7 o clock. The handsome entertainment was given in the spacious ballroom of the barracks, where the walls were completely midden beneath the patriotic drapery of flags and pennants. The effect of these was added to by the artistic disposal about the ballroom of stacked guns and sabres with glistening helmets adorning the spaces between the flags. In addition to this there were quantities of palms and growing plants tween the flags. In addition to this there were quantities of palms and growing plants along the sides of the wails and on the stage. This latter place was selected as the most auspicious one in which to set the refreshment tables, on which, as well as about the stage itself, the decorations were in the artillery color, red. The conterpleces were of red roses, and even the candelabra were capped

roses, and even the candedata were capped in red shades.

For the better accommodation of the arriving and departing carriages the entrance was made through the nrivate quarters of the administration building and a winding hallway formed by the tasteful draping of flags that formed a canopy overhead. The large ball room it the rear presented a brilliant seem of color and light beneath an elaborate arrangement of flags of every design and size. For the informal reception of the guests the spaces on either side of the long hall were subdivided into furnished apartments and decreated with flowers. In each of these the ladies gathered in groups and a most delightful informality prevailed throughout the reception. Birs. Closson, wife of the commandant, shood by the side of Mrs. Lamont throughout the hours and nade the presentation. She were an elegant to life of black satin with vest of white satin veiled in thread lace with fall of the

satin veiled in thread lace with fail of the same over the big puffed sleeves.

Mrs. Lamont was radiant in a handsome toilet of lavender taille with bertha of point lace and jeweled velvet belt. None of the ladder carried bouquets as the handshaking was the carried bouquets as the handshaking was instead of January 8, at National Rilles' and other public documents which are now

corn color and Nile green slik with lace.
The ladies of the receiving party were Mesdames Closson, Bawles, Fuger, Eanls, Adar,
Chase, Cummins, Howe, Johnson, Townstey, one, Haynes, and Ace, and Misses Closson,

of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps officers and their lamifies stationed in this city, Fort Myer, and Fort Heary,
Among those present were Gen, and Mrs. Schoffeld, Miss. Riflourn, Mrs. John M. Wilson, Miss Waffer, Mrs. and Miss. Billings, Mrs. Heger, Major and Mrs. Farker, Gen. Greely, Mrs. Sheridan, Miss liucher, Mrs. and Miss hoggles, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Batr, Mrs. liandelph Covis, formerly Miss Endoord, Gen. and Mrs. Leiber, Gen. and Mrs. Moore, Miss. Reiton, Mrs. and the Misses Chamberlin, Mrs. Miller, the Misses De Kraft, and Admiral and Mrs. Crosby.

Miss Rieggles, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Burr, Mrs. Bandorph Coyle, formerly Miss Badlord, Gen. and Mrs. Leiber, Gen. and Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Reiton, Mrs. and the Misses Chamberdin, Mrs. Miller, the Misses De Krait, and Admiral and Mrs. Crosby.

The British embassy was the objective point for society yesterday afternoon, and the happy occasion marked by the 5 o clock ter was the debat of the fourth and youngest daughter of the Ambressador and Lady Founcedor. At the same time Lady Georgian Gough, wife of the newly-arrived first secretary of the British embassy, was introduced to Washington society. The streets adjoining the explaints of the fourth and work of the curved driveway was almost continuous throughout the time of the entertainment, Once inside the docrway, the seene was a most charming one. Pains fined the broad halway, and were grouped about the newel posts. In the drawing-rooms there were paims again about the walls, in the corners, and crowning ornamental stands so that they towered above the heads of the assembled guests.

Long-stemmed toses were also placed

Long-stemmed roses were also placed about on the maniels and tables, but these were quite overshudowed by the splendid array of flowers sent the debutante.

In the bay window at the east end of the bail room, behind a floral lattice work, was the band, that played a line programme of the popular, as well as national airs of Engiand and America. In the tea room the collation was served from the buffet by waiters.

Sir Julian and Lady Punneefote received standing just within the doorway of the second drawing-room, with Miss Audrey Panneefote, the decutante, standing at their side.

fote, the de utante, standing at their side. Lady Pauncefote's gown was of pale green satin, brocaded in black velvet, with trimsatta, brocaded in black velvet, with frim-mings of old face and wave velvet. Miss Audrey Pauncefote's gown was of white moire, with draperies of black gauze and large bouffant sleeves of the white moire. In her hand the debutante carried the most eleet as well as most beautiful bouquet seen gart as well as most benatiful touquet seen in Washington this season. It was a large cluster of filles of the valley and pure white orchids tied with broad sash ribbon of white satin, with rich double hows. The long ends of this ribbon were enught at the bottom and tied with bows of narrower ribbons, in which were fastened clusters of lilies of the valley,

and in the other white orchids.

Eack of the debutantewas a large table heaped with innumerable bouquets of La France roses sent by friends. Several of these iquets were of the shower variety tied with

marrow ribbons, in each of the many ends of which were astened small buds.

Miss Pauncefote's gown was of pale blue silk richly embroidered in Japanese workmanship. Miss Lilian Pauncefote's gown was of white moire and black gauze, similar that worn by the debutante. Miss Sybit Pauncelote was not present at the tea as, she did not return from Europe with her parents. Lady Georgiana Gough wore black silk with

The young ladjes who assisted in entertaining the company were: Lady Georgana Gough, Misses Cameron, Bessie Davis, Ma-belle Stewart, Daisy Rush, Belknap, Joseph-ine Boardman, Aultek Stout, Waineh, May Williams, Patten, McPherson, Gwynne, Sheri-dan, and the Misses Letter, and Miss Helen

Among the guests were the French ambas-Among the guests were the French amonas-sador and Mme. Patenotre, the German ambassador, the Mexican minister and Mme. Romerc, the Chillan minister and Mme. Ze-ballos, Marquis Imperiale, Miss Edes, Judge and Mrs. John Bayis, Senator and Mrs. Wol-cott, Admiral and Mrs. Ramsay, Miss Ram-say, General and Mrs. Schoffeld, Justice and Mrs. Grey, Mrs. Field, Mrs. Condit Smith, Admiral Upshur, Mrs. Gordon McKay, Mrs. Leiter, Senator and Mrs. Gibson, Senator and Mrs. Double, Mrs. Hayan, Miss. Romental Leiter, Senator and Mrs. Gibson, Senator and Mrs. Dolph. Mrs. Hazen, Miss Bonaparte, Miss Sherrill, Mr. Spriog Rice, Mr. Gough, Mr. Bax-Ironsides, General and Mrs. Huggles, Senor and Mms. Covarrubias, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hague, Mrs. clater, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Legare, Mr. and Mrs. Hinekley, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Hopkins, Mr., Mrs. and the Misses Steele, Mrs. A. C. Barney, Miss Gale, Miss Kennedy, Mrs. and Miss Draper, Mrs. Belknap, Admiral and Mrs. Crosby, Commander and Miss Rush, the Misses Patten, Mrs. Sheridan, Mrs. and Miss Rodgers, Mrs. Clarence Edwards, Mrs. Josiah ers, Mrs. Clarence Edwards, Mrs. Josiah e. Senator, Mrs. and Miss Call, Mrs. and the Misses Mulian, Mrs. Frederick McGuire, Mrs. Charles Williams, Justice, Mrs. and the Misses Brewer, Justice, Mrs. and the Misses Harlan, Madam and the Misses de Mendonea. Mr. T. Sanford Beatty, Mrs. William Chandler, Senator, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Mac-Arthur, Miss Stoughton, Colonel and Mrs.

The Japanese minister gave a dinner party last night, at which the decorations were of red last night, at which the decorations were of red and white roses. The guests entertained were Mr. Gardiner Hubbard, Mr. John W. Foster, Mr. Beriah Wilkins, Mr. Theodore Roosevett, Mr. Spring Rice, Capt. Schoffeld, Mr. Thomas E. Waggaman, Lieut. Jacques, Mr. Durham White Stevens, Lieut. N. Miyaoko, and Mr. K. Nakayama, of the Japanese lagation.

Mrs. Charles Gibson came to Washington yesterday to attend the coming out tea given at the British embassy and the dinner given in the evening by Mr. and Mrs. Cattia. Mrs. Gibson will leave the city this afternoon and will return on Fridny after Christmas and re-main for a portion of the season at the Shore-

Judge John Davis has been joined by his Dakota. He starts there for a divor wife and daughter, who have keen living morrow.—Buffalo Courièr.

abroad for a number of years past. Miss Bessie Davis is one of the handsome debu-tantes of the winter.

Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. Michler have issued

NATIONAL GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY. Address by Director Wolcott, of the United

States Geological Survey. The annual meeting of the National Geological Society was held Wednesday night in the lecture room of the Columbian University. The exercises consisted of the annual address which was delivered by Prof. Charles D. Welcott, director of the United States Geolog-

Ical Survey.

The address included a history of the origin The address included a history of the origin and extension of geological research, the speaker paying high tribute to William Machine, Amos Eaton, James Hall, Ebenezer Emmons, Timothy Conrad, Richard Dole, J. S. Newberry, Chronce King, F. V. Hayden, J. W. Powell and George M. Wheeler, The other branches of the subject considered was the constant of the subject considered.

other branches of the subject considered were, topography, geologic work, areal mapping, and economic work.

A surge share of the address was devoted to the economic work of showing the direct influence of geologic science on the development of the country's mineral and agricultural resources. Prof. Welcott referred specifically to the value of the Survey's work as shown by the use made recently by Col. Elliott, engineer of the Washington Aquediact, of the Survey's information on the water power at the Great Falls of the Potomac in his investigations of the power there for electric motor. gations of the power there for electric motor

Summarizing briefly the extent of the Geologic Survey, he showed that it had made surveys over 624,650 square miles, of which 100,000 are available for areal geologic mapping; and 100,000 square miles ogic mapping of which 60,000 are ready for

IN MEMORY OF JACKSON.

Arrangements for a Great Meeting on the Democratic Saint's Day.

Saturday to Wednesday, and the first meet-

dies cerried bouquets as the handshaking was continuous and leit no time for anything but greetings.

Mrs. Chase wore a handsome costume of corn color and Nile green slik with lace.

The ladies of the receiving party were Mesdames Closson, llawies, Fuger, Eanis, Adair, Chase Commins Howe Johnson Townster.

among the other leatures promised.

Under a resolution Messrs, Johnson, of Maryland, Clavton, of New York, and Reddick, of Virginia, were appointed a committee to secure a speaker for the smoker to be given on January 2 at the association hall on Louis-iana avenue near Seventh street. An attractive programme will be arranged for the occasion.

Hon. George P. Harrison, who has come to
this westion of Congress to fill out the anexpired term of Hon. W. C. Ontes, elected governor of Alabama, and was elected also to the Fifty-fourth Congress, made a stirring ad-dress. The recent reverses of the Damocratic

In a latif interval this evening Smith said he was bitten by a dog five months ago and has had four series of these attacks. He says he has been examined by prominent physicians, who pronounced his malady a form of hydrophotin and incurable. Smith says he was educated for the priesthood at St. Mary's, Baitmore. He came here from Ottawa, Id., and will be held to await word from frends and relatives. In jail he snapped, hopped in the bed on all fours, and acted like a dog.

Anti-Toxine Knocks Out Diphtherie. ASSTABULA, Ohio, Dec. 20,-The epi of malignant diphtheria which raged here so fatally during last week has been brought under control. Several apparently hopoless but when the first rush to the kopies of Kimcases were treated with the anti-toxine remedy and the result was very gratifying. Out of half a dozen cases treated with the new remedy all but one are recovering. So far

there have been seventy-five cases and six-

teen deaths.

Bids His Chicago Friends Farewell. Carcago, Dec. 20.—The Ballway General Managers' Association, of Chicago, gave a printer. farewell dinner yesterda evening to their retiring chairman, Mr. E. St. John, who leaves the city of Chicago and the management of the Rock Island Railway to take the vice presi-dency of the Scaboard Air Line, one of the leading roads of the South Atlantic coast, There was a large attendance and numerous

Mora Claim to Be Opposed.

MADRID, Dec. 20.-The feeling in political circles here now is that President Cleveland does not intend to raise the duty on sugar imported from Cuba into the United States or to make other reprisals in consequence of the Cuban duties on American flour. On Satur-day Signor Cartres will introduce in the Chamber of Deputies a motion opposing the payment to the United States of the Mora claim.

Hermits Gagged, Tortured and Robbed. Ветикинм, Ра., Dec, 20.—News of a daring robbery, near Barsonville, Bucks county, was brought here to-day by farmers. In a wilderness at that place Thomas and David Athold, father and son, live as hermits. Last night, it is said, six masked men surprised them in their cabin, and after gagging and iorturing them, secured over \$2,000 in money, besides other plunder.

Suspended for Ten Years.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Harry D. Booge, jr., representing the firm of Booge, Frazier & Company, on the board of trade, has been tried by the directors on the charge of bucketshopping its customers' business, found guitty and suspended for ten years. The firm once did a big business, but went under last July on the big advance in corn.

Sweet Dorothy Drew. A capital story is being told of Mr. Rudyard Kipling and little Miss Dorothy Drew, Mr. Gladstone's granddaughter. During the novelist's stay in Wiltshire last summer he novelist's stay in Wittshire last summer he met little Dorothy at a country house, and, being very fond of children, took her about the grounds and told her stories. After a time Mrs. Drew, fearing that Mr. Kipling must have had enough of the child's society, called her and said: "Now, Dorothy, I hope you have been a good child and have not been wearying Mr. Kipling." "Oh! not a bit, mother," replied the celebrity, "but you've no idea how Mr. Kipling has been wearying me."

Protection of Motormen. The platforms of the electric street cars in Portland, Me., are to be covered in vestibuled, for the comfort of passengers and the protection of motormen and conductors in severe weather. The vestibules will be so con-structed that they may be removed when de-sired, in summer, for instance. Some Phila-delphia street cars are so vestibuled, and in Ohio the law requires that such protection shall be provided. The ears of the Montague

street cable line in Brooklyn are so protected The State of His Mind. Upson-I'd just like to know the state of Hicksmith's mind since be learned that the girl he married for her money hasn't a blame

Downes-The state of his mind? South

PRESENTED BY THE JURY.

udge Miller and His Court Officers Re. ceive Handsome Christmas Gifts-

There was a pleasant presentation of Christmas gifts in Judge Miller's police court yesterday afternoon a short while before adjournment. The jurors who had been excused un til after Christmas by the court assembled within the rail and Mr. A. L. Sturtevant foreman of one of the panels, stepped forward and on behalf of his fellow-jurors presented Judge Miller with a handsome mahogany

and on behalf of his fellow-jurors presented Judge Miller with a handsome mahogany rocking chair. Mr. Sturtevant made a lew happy remarks, thanking his honor for the consideration and courtesy with which his associates and himself had been treated by the court and its officers.

The presentation did not stop with Judge Miller. A fine shit umbrella was handed to Clark Joseph Harper; a box of fragrant eigars to Clerk Joseph F. Potts; an umbrella each to Bailiffs Rice Hooe and David Darr; box of cigars each to Deputy Clerk J. Hall Colgate and Court Policeman Henry E. Marks.

Foreman Kerrand also spoke in praise of the court and wished the judge and his associates a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Foreman Sturtevant said during his remurks that the jury had found Judge Miller guilty of being the best and most kind-bearted judge in the United States. "In spite of your daily surroundings of sin, crime, and poverty," he added, "you still remain the benevolent, humane gentleman."

In his feeling response Judge Miller said he could not find words to express his praise for the testimonials of appreciation. The juries were models in every way, and had faithfully and faithfully the fairly performed their every duty to the court and public. He then wished them a full enjoyment of the bolidays, and placed them under their personal bonds to appear in court on December 27.

CANDIDATE FOR THE GALLO WS.

CANDIDATE FOR THE GALLOWS Sarah Johnson Stabbed in the Abd omen

by Her Ten-Year-Old Son

James Johnson, a little black boy, is only ten years of age, but he has already entered upon the career of an outlaw. He has been The time of meeting of the Interstate Demo- | before the police court | several times, but his cratic Association has been changed from latest offence will keep him in the District Saturday to Wednesday, and the first meetin Judge Miller's dock yesterday charged with stabbing his mother, Sarah Johnson, in the abdomen with a pocket knife. The mother was badly cut and the young rascal grinned and showed his white teeth like a wild animal as she described the assault and her injuries, which came near resulting fa

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The jury quickly returned a verdiet of guilty and Judge Müller in sentencing the boy to the reform school during his miffority said the gailows was looming up before the youthful prisoner like a dark phantom.

While in the cage awaiting the arrival of the prison van, the boy stated that he cut his mother because she tried to "bo-s", him. "I'll do it agin if she gives me any of her lip," he sain earrelessly.

INDIAN TRIBES IN MAINE.

Most of Them Have Adopted the White Man's Dress and Way of Living.

Maine's two Indian tribes, the Penelscots and the Passamaquaddys, wear the dress of the whites and for the most part have adopted their ways of living. But the nomadic spirit is still strong within

them, and the summer finds parties camped at the various Maine watering places making at the various Maine watering places making and selling headed purses and woven grass and basket-work trinkers, while the square turn many a silver piece by telling fortunes.

In some wood lot, where the ash tree that supplies them with working material is pleatiful, they sometimes balld their camps of logs and saydings profest with bark or shingles and well elimbed with mess. There is a feeing among owners of forest lands in Maine that the Indians, as first proprietors, have a claim to reside in the wilderness wherever they choose, and, as they are peaceable and do sittle damage to valuable forest growth, permission to occupy a piece of woodland is seiden rejused.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Rev. Marcus Hast, a Jewish composer, has ust written "Death of Moses; an Oratorio,"

which is highly praised. Judge Henry, in Kansas City, recently de-fined that a man must pay his wife's debts, wen if he be sning her for divorce;

An Indian in Madera, Cal., has established a bad precedent by killing a do-tor who acreed to cure its wife and did not do so, but who yet collected his fee—took the man's horse—for pro-essional services.

Cacii Rhodes started his South African caberley took place Mr. Ilhodes deserted the cotton field for the diamond mines, and has remained there ever since. Mrs. Fannie Reid-Siusser, who was elected

county superintendent of schools in Wyan-dotte county, Kansus, has submitted a state-ment showing that her campaign expenses were only \$118, of which \$50 went to the ounty central committee and \$34 to the

sia three emperors of Germany, two kines of Italy, and a number of minor kines in Italy, several sovereigns in Spain, a king, an om-peror, and several republies in France, and one John Brown, and is still able to take a

Mayor Prince Ruspoli, who has just arrived at Rome after his sojourn in America, has expressed himself as highly gratified with the courtesy shown him throughout this country. In an interview he made several flattering comments activity of Americans. aments upon the prodigious

Winfield S. Kerr, who will succeed Mr. Harter, of the Mansfield, Ohio, district, was a poor young fellow, working as a brakeman on a railroad, when he lost one arm in an ac-cident. That decided him to embark in the study of law, and he has built up a large and lucrative practice. It was a curious coinci-dence that his defeated Democratic competitor had only one arm

Diamonds are Hard.

After perfect rubles and emeralds, and perhaps after great pearls, comes the diamond in value. This, too, has a range of color, the most prized being red, blue, grean and water white, while brown or gray tinges are not quite so highly esteemed. The Koh-i-Noor of 192% carats ranks low in point of size with of the world's great stones-for instance with the Great Mogul, 279 carats in weight. Diamond is the hardest mineral snown, brittle though it be; aci is do not affect it, and it is also the only combustible gem. It has high refractive and dispersive powers ("fire"), and some specimens become phosnorescent by the action of light. It usually cours as an eight-sided crystal.

Huntingdon Named After a Countess Few persons know that Huntingdon, Pa. was named in honor of the Countess of Huntingdon, an eighteenth century great lady who did much for the University of Pennsylvania. Provost William Smith, of the university, founded the little city in 1777, and grate ully honored the university's patron in naming the new settlement.



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